

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **BEDELL, Daniel Wayne** Atty Ref.: **HSJ92003-0126US1**
(60717.341701)

5 **FOR (TITLE): ION MILL PROCESS WITH SACRIFICIAL MASK LAYER
TO FABRICATE POLE TIP FOR PERPENDICULAR RECORDING**

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10 **Box Amendment**
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15 **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Tugbang:

In response to the Final Office Action dated 12/26/2007, Applicant submits the following remarks and amendments, currently due on a statutory period for 20 response expiring on 3/26/2008. This response is being filed electronically on February 25, 2008. It is thought that no extension of time is necessary, and is in addition within 2 months of the mailing date of the Office Action.

The Examiner has stated, on the Office Action Summary that Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 11, 12 and 14 are withdrawn from consideration and Claims 1-25 10 and 13 are rejected. This response is organized as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.